



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Shinichiroh IKEMASU, et al.**

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For: **HIGHLY INTEGRATED AND RELIABLE DRAM AND ITS
MANUFACTURE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Date: April 19, 2004

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: